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SUBJECT: JAPANESE PRESS COVERAGE OF SSC

REF: (A) TOKYO 765, (B) 733

1. POST-SSC JAPANESE PRESS COVERAGE WAS LOW KEY, CONSISTING ENTIRELY OF USE OF ALL OR PART OF KYOTO STORIES DATED JANUARY 17-18. JANUARY 17 ITEM STATED THAT MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AFTER "VIGOROUS DISCUSSIONS OF FUTURE JAPAN-US DEFENSE COOPERATION" BUT THAT AT US REQUEST SPECIFIC CONTENTS OF THE DISCUSSIONS WERE NOT MADE PUBLIC. HOWEVER, THREE MAIN POINTS WERE LISTED:

(1) US WOULD NOT WITHDRAW FROM ASIA:

(2) FIRST TRANCHE OF 6000 US GROUND FORCES WOULD BE WITHDRAWN FROM KOREA ON SCHEDULE IN 1978 BUT THAT FUTURE WITHDRAWALS WILL BE PURSUED CAUTIOUSLY; AND

(3) US APPRECIATED GOJ DEFENSE EFFORTS AS MANIFESTED IN 1978 BUDGET.
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STORY ALSO NOTED THAT US OFFICIALS PRESENT STATED THAT ADMINISTRATION HAD NO PLAN TO IMPLEMENT FINDINGS OF CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE STUDY RECOMMENDING MARINE WITHDRAWAL FROM OKINAWA OR BROOKINGS STUDY URGING REDUCTIONS OF 7TH FLEET STRENGTH IN PACIFIC.

2. JANUARY 18 STORY WAS SAID TO BE BASED ON "EXCLUSIVE
INTERVIEW" WITH "RANKING OFFICERS" OF CINCPAC AND QUOTED
THEM AS SAYING US COULD NOT FURTHER REDUCE ITS COMBAT
FORCES AS LONG AS SOVIET MILITARY THREAT EXISTED. STORY
FURTHER QUOTED OFFICERS CONCERNED TO EFFECT THAT BROOKINGS
AND OTHER PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS USUALLY LACKED KEY INFORMATION
ON MILITARY AFFAIRS WHICH ONLY GOVERNMENT'S INTELLIGENCE
SERVICE COULD PROVIDE.
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